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## RESPONSE TO NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Dear Sir:

The applicants have received a Notice of Non-Complaint Amendment dated March 1, 2005. In response to the Notice, the applicants are submitting herewith a corrected claim amendment section which includes the text of the withdrawn claims 10-12.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks follow the amendment sections of this paper.